



## PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Office of the Secretary of State, Elections Division

**Subject of possible rule making:** Elections, voter registration, and the initiative & referendum process.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 29A.04.611

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** To conform WACs to existing election law, facilitate voting by military and overseas voters, and facilitate ballot processing.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- ☒ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☐ Other (describe)

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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